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RE: Reimbursement Notification

Dear Ms. Hall:

This is to inform you that the School Participation Team, NW-Denver ("Team") has transferred Si Tanka University ("Institution"), located at 435 North Elm Street, and all additional locations to a system of payment by reimbursement effective March 29, 2005.

Under the reimbursement system, the Institution may continue to obligate funds under the Title IV, Higher Education Act, student financial assistance programs. However, current Federal Title IV cash on hand may be disbursed to eligible students, only with the approval of the School Participation Team through the reimbursement process.

If the Institution makes disbursements with its own funds in lieu of Title IV advance payment, the U.S. Department of Education, ("Department"), will reimburse it for properly documented expenditures. The Department reserves the right to offset any Federal claims against these funds due to the Institution.

This action is authorized by Section 415 of the General Education Provisions Act, 20 U.S.C. 1226a-1, and by the following program regulations: 34 CFR 668.162(a) and 668.162(d), Student Assistance General Provisions; 34CFR 668.167(d) and 682.604(a)(3) Federal Family Education Loan Program.

The Department is taking this action because Si Tanka University failed to submit its September 30, 2001, September 30, 2002 and September 30, 2003 A-133 Audits. The institution now has three missing audits and the School Participation Team; NW-Denver cannot renew the institution's PPA that expires on June 30, 2005 until the missing audits have been received through EZ-Audit.

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Submitting the required non-federal annual compliance audit within the regulatory timeframe has become a systemic problem for the institution as presented below:

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The partial audit period 06/26/2001 - 09/30/01 results from the schools initial application for participation effective 06/26/2001.

The Institution may contact the School Participation Team, NW-Denver to discuss and show cause why this action is unwarranted. If you wish to discuss this matter, please call Harry C. Shriver Jr., Area Case Director at (303) 844-3677 ext. 116.

Enclosed are reimbursement instructions. As the instructions state, you must submit **separate** cash requests (ED Form PMS-270), for your Pell Grant, Perkins, FFEL and Campus-Based Title IV requests. Please address any reimbursement request along with the required supporting materials, as follows:

Joseph Hajek / Mitch Cary Reimbursement Analysts School Participation Team, NW-Denver U.S. Department of Education 1391 Speer Blvd., Suite 800 Denver, CO 80204

In order to comply with the restrictions noted in this correspondence, the Institution must follow the enclosed instructions for requesting reimbursements.

If you have any questions concerning the reimbursement system of payment, please contact Joseph Hajek at (303) 844-3677 ext 111.

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Please note that the foregoing action does not preclude the U.S. Department of Education from taking administrative action(s) against the Institution.

Sincerely,

Harry C. Shriver Jr. Area Case Director

School Participation Team, NW-Denver

## Enclosure

cc: Ms. Robin Minor, Director, Case Management Teams - NW/SE

Ms. Mary Gust, Director, Administrative Actions and Appeals (AAA)

Ms. Sherrie Bell, AAA Liaison to School Participation Team, NW-Denver

Mr. Dan Whiting, Co-Team Leader, School Participation Team, NW-Denver

Mr. Asad Shahid, Institutional Review Specialist, School Participation Team, NW-Denver

Ms. Wynona Traversie, Financial Aid Director, Si Tanka University